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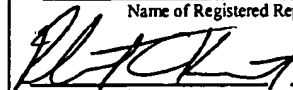
Title: CORBA Metadata Gateway to
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Management Network

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RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION OF APRIL 18, 2006

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Action of April 18, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as indicated below.